



U.S. Highway 89 Corridor Plan FACT SHEET



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The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) is developing a 20-year plan to guide future management of US Highway 89 from the Utah State Line through Montpelier. US-89 east of Montpelier is already undergoing major improvement.

The corridor plan will examine a broad range of issues, such as: What needs to be done to address any existing problems? How is the highway used now and how will that change in the future? How will the corridor be affected by future population growth? How will the corridor be affected by adjacent land uses and zoning? What types of bicycle and pedestrian facilities will be needed?

What is a Corridor Plan?

Through a collaborative process with elected officials, business and property owners, citizens, and other stakeholders, ITD will develop a long-range plan for the 27-mile corridor. The corridor plan will document existing conditions along the highway and forecast future needs. It will combine the technical elements of transportation planning and engineering with local concerns and needs to develop the best course of action to guide management practices and project improvements.

Why Do Corridor Planning?

In 1998, the Idaho Transportation Board approved a policy to develop corridor plans for the state's transportation corridors. The corridor planning process is designed to identify the most economic and effective solutions to transportation problems.

Corridor planning process will help resolve major planning issues prior to developing individual improvement projects, which will save time and money when the time comes to develop the actual projects. By working with affected communities and stakeholders, a broad range of issues and alternatives are addressed all at once, rather than on a case-by-case basis. This big picture approach can lead to better and more cost-effective solutions.

How Can I Get Involved?

The planning process is expected to take about 18 months and will be collaborative with input from stakeholders and communities at each major step in the planning process. Newsletters will be sent out and public meetings will be held at each major step. A local Task Force and Technical Advisory Committee will provide additional oversight and advice.

Project Schedule



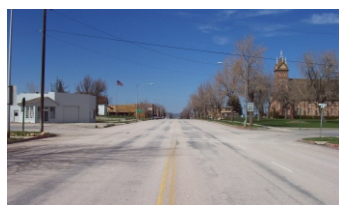
Project Photos



Fish Haven Bear Lake W. - NB



Montpelier School Crossing EB



Paris - Looking NB



Cemetary Road - Looking SB

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